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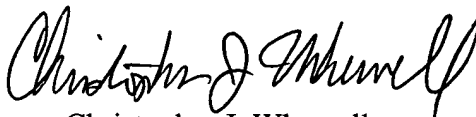
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Sir,

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Notice dated September 29, 2006 in the above-identified Application. As per the Notice, enclosed herewith please find the required corrected section of Applicant's earlier-filed non-compliant amendment, namely the Amendments to the Claims section, which begins on the next page of the instant Response.

Thus, it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the claims presented herein be entered.